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Application No.: Not Yet Assigned)
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For: OPTICAL SCANNING APPARATUS) July 22, 2003
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APPARATUS USING THE SAME)

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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the International Convention and all rights to which they are entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Japanese Priority Applications:

Japan 2001-003814, filed January 11, 2001;

Japan 2001-003815, filed January 11, 2001; and

Japan 2001-394085, filed December 26, 2001.

Certified copies of the priority documents were submitted in parent Application No. 10/041,463, to which Applicant claims domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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